



JOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

CALENDAR



Tues., Sept. 29 — Open House.
Marcus Daly, Director of the Inter-governmental Committee on European Migration. Cocktails, 6:15 p.m. Dinner and speech, 7:00 p.m.

(See story, page 3.)

Thurs., Oct. 1 — Book Night:
The Frozen Revolution, by Frank Gibney. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner and discussion, 7:30 p.m.

A discussion of the book on *Communist Poland* by the Life staff writer will be moderated by John Barkham. Panelists will include Daniel L. Schorr, Telford Taylor and Marian Podkovinski.

Reservations for members and guests at OPC.

Wed., Oct. 14 — Regional Dinner:
Hawaii. Reception, 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 7:00 p.m.

Reservations, for member and ONE guest each, at OPC now.

Soviet Newsmen Guests At OPC Reception

The group of 41 Russian journalists who are accompanying Premier Nikita Khrushchev on his visit to the U.S. were guests of the OPC at a hastily arranged reception and buffet on Friday, Sept. 18.

The Russian group, who appeared pleased to visit the largest press club in New York City, included some top figures in the Soviet publishing world, among them Aleksei I. Adzhubei, editor of *Izvestia* and Khrushchev's son-in-law; Pavel A. Satyukov, chief editor of *Pravda*; Georgi A. Zhukov, chairman of the State Committee for Cultural Relations; Aleksandr T. Tvardovsky, editor of *Novy Mir*; and Mikhael A. Kharlamov, head of the press department of the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

Leonid F. Ilyichev, one of the highest ranking policy-making officials in the Soviet hierarchy who formerly headed the Press Ministry, was also among the group greeted by the officers,

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BOARD NAMES LEADERS OF BUILDING DRIVE

The OPC's program to integrate the "building next door" into an expanded World Press Center moved a giant step ahead with the approval last week of a Steering Committee and key committee chairmen.

Spark Development Program

The Board of Governors on Sept. 16 unanimously ushered into office the men and women who will spark a development program designed to join present Club headquarters at 35 East 39th Street with the neighboring 33 East 39th Street building purchased earlier this year.

Ben Wright, executive vice president of *This Week* magazine, was confirmed as chairman of the Steering Committee. Members of his committee will include John Barkham, Ben Grauer, William P. Gray, Dickson Hartwell, Charles Kline, Inez Robb and Joseph D. Ryle, with President John Wilhelm, Frank Wachsmith and William Mapel as ex-officio members. Mapel was recently named consultant to the program.

Committee Heads

Named to head the committee on architecture and decoration was Ryle. A. Wilfred May is chairman of the finance committee, and Hardd Oram, fund-raising committee chairman. OPC Past President Thomas P. Whitney will serve as liaison committee chairman; Richard Anderson, chairman, promotion committee; and Ralph H. Major, Jr., chairman, publicity committee. Also approved by the Board was a special committee made up of Grauer, Ryle and Larry LeSueur to work with the Steering Committee.

Headquarters Set Up

Campaign headquarters for the program have already been opened on the first floor of the "building next door." It was also announced this week that Miss Kay Avery, a writer and author with experience in fund-raising drives, has been named administrative assistant to the program. The office telephone number is LEXington 2-5242.

(See pictures of appointees on page 3.)

RUSSIAN JOURNALISTS AT OPC...



Leonid Ilyichev, Aleksei I. Adzhubei, OPC President John Wilhelm, Pavel A. Satyukov, OPC Vice President Ansel Talbert, Georgi A. Zhukov and OPC member Frank Conniff pose in Memorial Library of the Club during the Sept. 18 visit.

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OVERSEAS TICKER



RIO DE JANEIRO

OPCers in the Club chapter here have been a scattered bunch in the past month or so.

Chapter president Jayme Dantas, *Time-Life*, flew to New York Sept. 12 for a home office visit. On the day he left, *Time-Life* bureau chief George de Carvalho returned to Rio after a month roaming the jungle banks of the Amazon for a *Time-Life* spread. Lafe Allen, USIS, almost crossed his path in a trip to the North and Northeast.

From Rio to Santiago, Chile for the Organization of American States' Foreign Ministers Conference last month went Tad Szulc, *N.Y. Times*, Lou Stein, UPI, Claude Villarreal, USIS, and this correspondent, AP. Szulc took a look-see trip to Lima after the conference and then returned here. Stein stopped off in Buenos Aires.

Visitors to Rio following the conference were Dick Hottelot, CBS, and Chalmers Roberts, *Washington Post*.

Hank Johnston, Rio stringer for *Time-Life* and *N.Y. Times*, journeyed to Sao Paulo for a World Presbyterians Congress last month.

All hands, except home-leaving Denny Davis, UPI bureau chief, were present for the August OPC luncheon welcoming U.S. Ambassador John Moors Cabot. This month, the OPCers lunched with Assis Chateaubriand, Brazilian Ambassador to London. Arrangements also were being made for a session with Brazil's new Foreign Minister, Horacio Lafer.

Other guests this season have been Augusto Frederico Schmidt, now Brazil's chief delegate to the UN; former U.S. Ambassador Ellis O. Briggs; and economist Jose Garrido Torres. Ed Butler

BERLIN

Brack Curry, AP news editor from Frankfurt, is here pinch-hitting while Carl Hartman vacations with his family

before taking over as Berlin correspondent for AP on Oct. 1. Gus Ensz, another AP staffer here, is in the U.S. on home leave.

Recent visitors: Sumner Weener, NBC news editor of nightly roundup "News of the World," on a yearly vacation-personal look-see enroute back to New York from a visit to Stockholm and Moscow doing reports for "Monitor," including an interview with West Berlin's Mayor Willi Brandt. Also NBC's Ben Grauer and wife Melanie.

Joe Fleming, UPI Berlin correspondent; Paul Moor, *Time-Life*; Nate Margolin, managing editor of European edition of *Stars & Stripes*; Carl Koch, RFE Berlin correspondent; Mark White, AFI program director; and your correspondent attended a cocktail party given by Major Allan C. McGill, U.S. Army PIO in Berlin, for Brig. Gen. C.V. Clifton, deputy information chief of Army in Washington.

Your correspondent, NBC chief of newsfilm for Central Europe, to London for Sept. 21 semi-annual Eurovision meeting.

Gary Stindt

SAIGON

Pierre Chauvet of Agence France Presse has been nominated to succeed your correspondent as president of the Foreign Correspondents' Ass'n. in Vietnam. Dale Brix of UPI was asked to continue as vice president, and Francois Sully as secretary general. New nominee was treasurer Ho Yen Sing of Formosa's Central News Agency.

Dr. Paul Jones, editorial writer and columnist for the *Philadelphia Bulletin*, spent three months in Vietnam as a State Dep't. grantee. Paul taught and lectured and spent most of his time with the government Vietnam Press Agency.

Joe Nerbonne

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REFUGEES: TOPIC FOR 29th

"Getting a New Address for 1,000,000 People" will be the title of Hon. Marcus Daly's talk at the OPC Tuesday, Sept. 29. Daly is Director of the Intergovernmental Committee on European Migration — major refugee and migration agency established by 28 nations to conduct "the world's greatest peacetime moving operation."



DALY

Successor to the International Refugee Organization, ICEM has already been responsible for moving or helping to resettle almost a million persons, including 120,000 Hungarian refugees.

Participating in the program will be a panel of four distinguished newspapermen who have covered refugee movements: *Kathleen McLaughlin* of the *N.Y. Times*, *William Frye* of the *Christian Science Monitor*, *Kitty Hanson* of *N.Y. Daily News* and *Douglass Allen* of *Newsweek*.

Cocktails are at 6:15 p.m., dinner and program, 7:00 p.m.

NEWMAN HEADS COMMITTEE

The OPC Board of Governors has approved the appointment of *Larry Newman* as chairman of the 1959-60 Constitution Revisions Committee.

Newman, who has served on the Board of Governors as well as OPC Treasurer and chairman of the House Committee, at present is assistant to the editor on the staff of E. Anthony and Sons, Inc., publishers of the *New Bedford Standard-Times* and the *Cape Cod Standard-Times*.

In asking the Board to approve the appointment, President *John Wilhelm* observed that Newman has had an opportunity to become acquainted with Club operations intimately, while at the same time his position as a newsman will lead him to strengthen the Club's professional role.

Also, his present assignment outside New York may be helpful in giving him perspective with which to view the future of the Club.

Wilhelm stated that no immediate constitutional revisions are expected but it is hoped Newman may turn in a full report at the Annual Meeting in spring 1960.



NEWMAN

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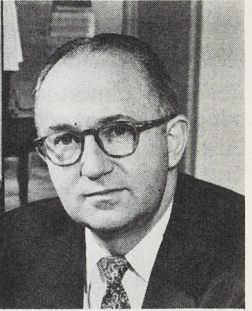
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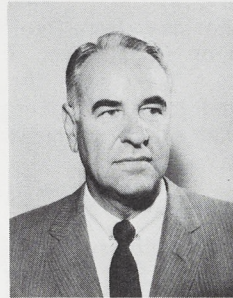
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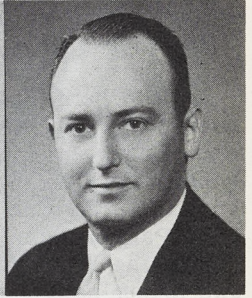
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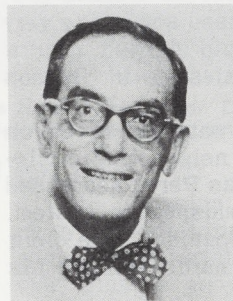
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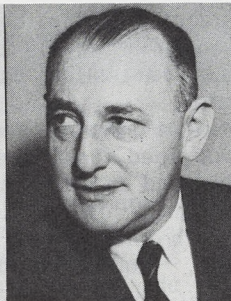
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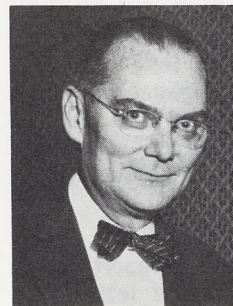
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THE BOARD



By action of the Board of Governors at a meeting on Sept. 16, the following were named to OPC committees:

Rohama Lee, chairman of the Library Committee; *Richard de Rochemont*, vice chairman of the Foreign Language Dinners; *Marshall Loeb*, vice chairman of the Membership Committee; *Whitman Bassow*, *William F. Brooks*, *Richard Harrity*, *Harold Lavine*, *Louis Messo-longhites*, *Richard Oulahan, Jr.*, and *Dan Regan*, members of the Book Night Committee; *Hal Boyle*, *Joe Dine*, *Jim Flowers*, *Charles Gillett*, *Harold Lavine*,

Larry LeSueur, *John MacVane*, *Larry Newman*, *Neil Sullivan* and *Joseph Willicombe*, members of the Reunion Committee; *Betty Pepis*, member of the House Operations Committee.

The Board also accepted the resignations of *Cornelius J. Ryan* as Program Committee chairman.

FOUND...

In the lobby of the Grand Hotel, Warsaw, on the morning of Aug. 5, a Zeiss Ikon Contina camera, presumably the property of a member of Vice President Nixon's press party. The owner may claim his property from R.T. Davies, Office of Soviet Union Affairs, Dep't. of State, Washington 25, D.C. (Tel.: DU 3-2550).

THE TROUBLE WITH DICTATORS - THINGS ARE RARELY WHAT THEY SEEM

By Barbara Holbrook Scofield

New York

As a reporter for the *Panama-American*, I covered the arrival of the Argentine Navy detachment which infiltrated the city of Colon, Panama in January, 1947 and held the populace captivated for a month. Colon townspeople marveled at the exemplary behavior of the 1,200 "gentlemen sailors" and officers of the battleship *Rivadavia*, dispatched by dictator Juan Peron on a goodwill cruise of Latin America.

Seamen Sober

In the port's gaudy bars, the quiet, handsome Argentine seamen sipped orange pop or ginger ale, then filed soberly back to their ship. "Why don't your U.S. Navy sailors act like that?" the Panamanians asked caustically. (Under the influence of alcohol, one or two of our boys occasionally wound up in the Colon city jail overnight).

With Esteban Lopez, my Panamanian colleague, I interviewed the *Rivadavia*'s executive officer, Capt. Remigio Bigliardi, in command during the ship's Colon visit.

In his early 40's, the captain was six feet tall and possibly five feet around. His manner was solemn, his smile heart-warming. He denied positively that his "gentlemen sailors" were a picked crew exhibiting "company manners."

Sailors Leap-Frogging

One day on Bolivar Avenue I found the captain watching a couple of teenage American sailors leap-frogging down the street. "They are so young — it is good they enjoy life," he commented. We met again at a gala Carnival ball which the Panamanians gave at the Strangers Club. The captain was standing solemnly on the sidelines; he smiled and bowed, and that evening at least he shed his cares.

Shortly before the *Rivadavia* sailed the next midnight, I had dinner with Capt. Bigliardi at the Hotel Washington. "What are you doing, alone in a foreign country — a newspaper reporter?!" he asked disapprovingly.

"In the States we're brought up differently than in your country," I said. "Anywhere I go in the world, if it's a free country I'm sure I'll get along all right. What are you doing, banging the drums for a dictator?"

"This is my assignment — I obey," the captain replied. "I am not a political man. Governments come, governments go. It does not affect me. I am always an officer of the Argentine Navy." Argentina was a good country, he declared. Why

didn't I go there and see for myself? I told him I'd stifle under Peron's regime.

Conversation Remembered?

(Maybe the captain remembered our conversation nine years later when Juan Peron himself sat in that hotel dining room. The ousted dictator found political asylum in Panama and stayed first at the Hotel Washington, operated by a U.S. government agency.)

Back home in San Francisco a year later, I wandered one day into Paul Elder's old bookshop on Post Street. I picked up John White's book with the title *Argentina* spelled in large letters across the jacket. That's how I finally got the story on the *Rivadavia*.

Incident in B' Aires

"You must be interested in Argentina, too," a woman clerk said to me. Her brother, she explained, was an American merchant seaman; some 18 months previously he had witnessed something very strange when his ship docked near a large Argentine battleship in Buenos Aires.

One morning he watched as Peron was piped aboard the neighboring battleship, and he listened as Peron addressed the crew over a loudspeaker system. "My brother speaks Spanish," the clerk said, "and he could hardly believe his ears..."

I never had the heart to write Capt. Bigliardi what I'd learned, but Esteban Lopez scoffed: "The American Embassy in Panama City found out long ago."

In 1951 an American friend saw Capt. Bigliardi in Buenos Aires and said he appeared in excellent health and spirits: the captain would soon be an admiral.

Eva Peron, Argentina

In 1952, free-lance reporting in Ecuador, I got a registered letter from the captain. He had been retired from the Navy "for poor health." His home city, La Plata, had been renamed; please address correspondence to him at "Eva Peron, Argentina."

Soon, however, the captain had a new assignment and a change of address. He was chief of police in a "military reservation" — whatever that meant. It sounded like Siberia on the *pampas* — "nothing but rocks, sheep and sand," as the captain described it.

But his elder son would soon graduate from the Argentine naval academy, and the captain himself expected a month's leave in December. Would I come to Buenos Aires for the holidays? Unfortunately, it wasn't convenient for me; could he come to Quito instead? "I can't," he replied.

That was the last I've heard of Capt. Bigliardi. When I reached Argentina the following year, en route to Europe, the customs officials tried to confiscate my typewriter. They seized my copies of *Time* and *Vision*. I sent a telegram to the captain before sailing, but I received no reply.

As my ship pulled out of Buenos Aires harbor, I recalled the book clerk's story.

Each An Ambassador

"You are a picked crew," Peron said. "Each of you is a good will ambassador for Argentina, and I expect conduct befitting an ambassador."

"I warn you — if any of you gets in trouble with the law in any foreign country, you will not be broken in rank.... you won't be thrown in the brig.... you won't even have shore leave cancelled."

To Be Shot

"No," Peron promised, "you will be shot to death by a firing squad."

I don't know if Capt. Remigio Bigliardi has lived to enjoy the air of democratic Argentina today.

But, although it's far-fetched, perhaps a young naval officer Bigliardi may put into port in Panama some day and casually carry out a task his father lived in dread of: a visit to the Colon jail to bail out a young Argentine sailor who got drunk and tried to tear up the town.



BARBARA HOLBROOK SCOFIELD

Barbara Holbrook Scofield began as a reporter for the San Francisco Call-Bulletin; has worked for the *Panama-American* and for *Vision*. She was a free-lancer in Latin America and Spain for two and one-half years (1952-54). She's now a free-lance magazine writer in New York.



Mrs. Natalia Sergeeva, chief editor of Russia's *New Times*, Leon Dennen, alternate to OPC Board of Governors, and Wilhelm listen as Ilyichev addresses guests through an interpreter.

SOVIET NEWSMEN AT OPC *(Continued from page 1.)*

members of the Board of Governors and other OPC members who were present.

OPC President *John Wilhelm*, told the Russians that "we are pleased to have you know the ways of the American press and to give you the opportunity to become acquainted with the informal and independent attitudes of American journalists."

(*Newsweek* magazine has reported that at the White House dinner on Sept. 15, *Erwin Canham*, editor of the *Christian Science Monitor*, was introduced to Khrushchev as a newspaper editor "who is not told by his government what to print.")

"I don't believe it," was K's conversation-stopping reply," the magazine said.)

Reciprocal Hospitality

Wilhelm also said that the hospitality of the OPC was extended to the Russian journalists in return for the courteous treatment extended to U.S. correspondents in Moscow.

DOMMEN APPOINTED

Arthur J. Dommen has been appointed UPI Saigon bureau manager.

Dommen has arrived in Saigon and assumed his new duties. He succeeds Dale Brix who will return to the U.S. because of illness.

Dommen was born in Mexico City, and lived in Santiago, Chile, Switzer-

The Russian visitors appeared to enjoy the buffet dinner, but not the OPC's vodka. OPC bartender Bill Hughes lost one illusion as a result of the visit. "I stocked up on vodka," he said, "and what do you know? All that the majority of the guests asked for was scotch *viski* and gin and tonic."

Russians Amiable

Russian-speaking OPC member *Leon Dennen* reported "The Russians were amiable, and, in line with the present Soviet policy, talked a great deal about *Mir i Druzhiba* (Peace and Friendship), and called for an end to the cold war.

“The Russian correspondents met and talked with many members of the OPC and other newsmen whom they knew. Among them were the Hearst organization’s *Bob Considine* and *Frank Conniff*, and *A. Wilfred May*, former OPC Treasurer.

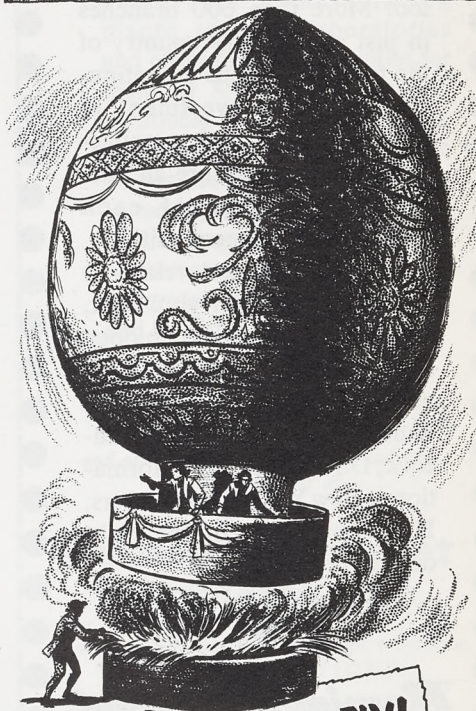
"Ilyichev, a top press official of the Communist party, introduced himself modestly as 'chief of the Soviet correspondents accompanying Chairman Khrushchev.'"

land and England.

He attended school at LeRosey Institute, Rolle, Switzerland, and graduated from Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., with a Bachelor of Science degree.

He joined UPI in Columbus, Ohio. He later worked in the Pittsburgh and New York bureaus.

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PEOPLE & PLACES

NEA columnist *Bill McKeown* to Minneapolis for a week to test-drive the new 1960 outboard motors...*Joe Lyford* now producing and moderating "The American Republic," new radio series in New York (WBAI-FM) and in six other cities...New associate editor of *Diplomat* magazine is *Gunhild Gansing*.

Dorothy Gordon, N.Y. *Times*' "Youth Forum" moderator, back from Europe and interviews with key personalities on tape and film...*Fred B. Barton* reelected a director of the Nat'l. Jail Ass'n...*Arky* and *Janeann Gonzalez*' latest collaboration: Ann Elizabeth, born Aug. 25 at Westchester Hospital...*John Strohm* khrushchefing a piece on Iowa farmer Roswell Garst for NEA.

CBS' *Howard Kany* to Europe for European Broadcasting Union confab in London and continental business trip... Add CBS: "20th Century" crew photographing *Daniel Schorr* and N.Y. *Times*' *A.M. Rosenthal* in Warsaw for an upcoming two-parter on Poland.

Betty Reef new staff feature writer for Women's News Service... *Newsweek* general editor *Philip Clarke* to Russia via Warsaw and Helsinki for 18 days... Back from a two-week tour of Free Europe Committee offices in Europe: *Bob Minton*, director, FE organizations and publications...*Madeline D. Ross* on a special tour of Belgium via Sabena as guest of the Official Belgian Tourist Bureau.

Julien Bryan postcards from Moscow that he's finished and delivered his new book, *Warsaw*, due out in April...Author of the recent Freedom House ad, "What You Can Do About Khrushchev's Visit," was *Chester S. Williams*, formerly with U.S. Mission to the UN...*Luis E. Bejarano* made director of the Naval Reserve Officers School in Freeport, L.I. He's also with the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point.

King Features' *Jimmy Winchester* back after three weeks in Norway (Rockefeller wedding), Denmark and Sweden (features), Paris and a week in Bermuda (on Air Force "Hurricane Hunters" story)...*Horst Buchholz* leaving AP after eight years to join the staff of the new *San Juan Star* in Puerto Rico...*Louis Lochner*, *Norbert Muhlen*, *Christopher Emmet* and *Leo Cherne* are members of the American Delegation to participate in the First American-German Conference at Bad Godesberg in October.

Arthur Holzman, Air Force assistant general counsel, back in Washington after swing around U.S. bases in Germany, Italy and Spain...*Stella Margold* addressed Lions Club of Syracuse, N.Y. in televised talk, "Behind the Scenes in the USSR"...*Bob Eckhouse*, PR, writing business and financial column for new trade magazine, *GSE* (Ground Support Equipment).

Dorothy Ducas handling PR for dedication of new pharmaceutical research laboratories of Geigy Chemical Corp. in Ardsley, N.Y...*A. Wilfred May* co-heads New School 12-session series, "Managing Your Money: Investing in Today's Markets," (began this week)...*Dr. Joseph F. Montague* presented his proctologic library to Int'l. Surgeons' Hall of Fame and School of History of Surgery and Related Sciences.

Prolific writers: *Carl Bakal* in October *Playboy* with "Playboy Plays the Market" or "A Compendium of Sage Counsel for the Investor Who Has Other Things To Do"...*Thomas O'Toole* in September *Science Digest*: "Russian: New Language of Science"...*Leo J. Margolin* in Sept. 18 issue of transit weekly, *Passenger Transport*, with article on mass transportation in Leningrad and Moscow.

NOTICE!

The editors of *The Overseas Press Bulletin* will be pleased to receive for consideration feature manuscripts on subjects of interest to foreign correspondents and newsmen.

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Jim Becker, AP chief of bureau in the Philippines since December, 1957, who was elected president of the Manila Overseas Press Club at its annual meeting Sept. 18. Becker is also Overseas Press Bulletin Manila correspondent.

Argentina Responds

The OPC Freedom of the Press Committee has received a response to its protest to President Arturo Frondizi of Argentina over the sentencing of Angel Raffo, editor and director of *Noticias*.

Raffo, head of the newspaper published in the Argentine State of Tucuman, was recently sentenced to 30 days in jail for publication of an article attacking the interference of the government in the sugar industry.

The letter, addressed to Committee chairman John F. Day, came from Juan Carlos Taboada, chief of Argentina's Press Service.

Taboada wrote that the "sanction (was) imposed by the legislature of Tucuman...because the members of the legislature (were) offended by this article. It has been established that exercise of this power that belongs to the legislative body has been given to them by the Argentine Constitution as in the U.S. to assure the free development of a republican and representative government."

"No intervention of the Federal executive power over the State should be invoked," Taboada continued. He said that the decision of the legislature was made in "defense of the immunity privilege that belongs to them," and that it is proper and democratic "but by no means a matter which should worry this Committee..."

Taboada said that his letter was written at the "direct request" of the President of Argentina who "has reiterated that one of the most essential practices of his government is great respect for a free press."

CHICAGO CLUB INVITES OPCers

OPC President John Wilhelm has received a letter from Alvin E. Orton, president of the Chicago Press Club, inviting OPC members in Chicago for the World Series to use the facilities of the Club.

He wrote: "Our club opens at 11:00 a.m. (including the bar). Lunch and dinner are served. The lounge is spacious and comfortable. Drinks are cheap. We are centrally located at 505 North Michigan Ave., next to the *Chicago Tribune* and across the street from the *Chicago Sun-Times*.

"If your members will identify themselves at our office, they will be issued guest cards."

NEW MEMBER

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidate:

AFFILIATE

William T. Bostelman - Bernard Relin & Assoc.

It was "Old Tokyo Home Week" last week when the following correspondents met in the OPC bar: Rowland Gould, NBC stringer in Tokyo; Norm Williams, UPI photo chief in Tokyo; Dan Kurzman, formerly with McGraw-Hill in Tokyo and at present finishing a book on Japan, and Jay Axelbank, formerly INS Tokyo and now with UPI London.

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